

MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION

Division of Banking & Financial Institutions Greg Gianforte, Governor Misty Ann Giles, Director Melanie Hall, Commissioner

SUPERVISORY MEMORANDUM

To: Montana State-Chartered Banks and Credit Unions

From: Melanie Hall, Commissioner

Subject: Proclamation Rescinded

Date: July 12, 2021

On June 30, 2021, Governor Gianforte rescinded Executive Order No. 2-2021 which declared a statewide emergency due to COVID-19. Based on this rescission, Montana Commissioner of Banking Melanie Hall has rescinded the Proclamation which allowed any state-chartered bank or credit union located in Montana to close any office in order to protect the health and safety of its employees and customers.

Banks in Montana that need to close any office will need to follow the regular statutory procedure to do so, either on an emergency or non-emergency basis. Information on closing or relocating branches and/or loan production offices can be found on the website at banking.mt.gov.

Banks and credit unions may change hours at any location at any time by giving reasonable notice to the public and providing a copy of the notice to the Division via email at <u>banking@mt.gov</u>.

STATE OF MONTANA

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Order Rescinding Proclamation

Whereas, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a national state of emergency due to a nationwide outbreak of COVID-19 and on January 13, 2021, the Governor of the State of Montana entered an Executive Order 2-2021 establishing a statewide emergency.

Whereas, on March 13, 2020, and on January 15, 2021, the Commissioner of the Montana Division of Banking and Financial Institutions issued a Proclamation based on the state of emergency due to COVID-19 in Montana. The Proclamation allowed all state chartered banks and credit unions to close any office, if the institution deemed it necessary to protect the health and safety of their employees and customers. Institutions had to continue to provide essential banking services to customers through ATMs, drive through windows and/or mobile banking applications.

Whereas, on June 30, 2021, the Governor of the State of Montana rescinded Executive Order 2-2021 because conditions no longer warrant a state of emergency.

Now, therefore, I, Melanie G. Hall, Commissioner of the Montana Division of Banking and Financial Institutions, hereby rescind the proclamation dated January 15, 2021, effective immediately.



In witness whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the seal of my office to be affixed at Helena, Montana this 12th day of July, 2021.

Melanie G. Hall, Commissioner Division of Banking and Financial Institutions